

### House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 215

January Session, 2001

Substitute House Bill No. 6613

House of Representatives, April 10, 2001

The Committee on Commerce reported through REP. SAMOWITZ of the 129th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

# AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- The Department of Public Utility Control, in consultation with the
- 2 Department of Transportation and the Department of Economic and
- 3 Community Development, shall, within available resources, conduct a
- 4 study regarding the appropriate regulation of services offered, on a
- 5 wholesale or retail basis to Connecticut customers, for the purpose of
- 6 facilitating the transmission of data, writing, signals, pictures or
- 7 sounds of all kind between points of origin and termination, whether
- 8 such transmission is by wireline or wireless technologies. The study
- 9 shall include a recommendation regarding which providers of such
- services should be permitted access to the public rights-of-way in the
- state. Not later than February 1, 2002, the department shall report its
- 12 findings to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
- 13 having cognizance of matters relating to energy and technology,
- 14 transportation and commerce in accordance with section 11-4a of the

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15 general statutes.

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#### **OFA Fiscal Note**

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: Department of Public Utility Control,

Department of Transportation, Department of Economic and Community Development

Municipal Impact: None

#### **Explanation**

#### State Impact:

The bill requires the Department of Public Utility Control, in consultation with the Department of Transportation and the Department of Economic and Community Development to conduct a study. It is anticipated that the agencies will not need the use of consultants to conduct the study, as the bill requires the study be done within available resources, thus there is no fiscal impact resulting from this bill.

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### **OLR Bill Analysis**

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The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze special acts.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

**Energy and Technology Committee** 

Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference Yea 16 Nay 0

Commerce Committee

Joint Favorable Report Yea 24 Nay 0